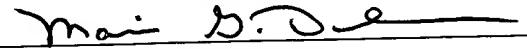


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PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the PTO communication (paper No. 12) dated June 4, 2001 by three months. With the extension the response is due on or before October 4, 2001. A check in the amount of \$460.00 to cover the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(a)(2) for a small entity is transmitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the enclosed amount or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-0586.

Respectfully submitted,

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